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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the instant application on January 2, 2002, Applicant hereby calls the following documents, which were cited in a United Kingdom Search Report issued February 26, 2002 for related GB Application No. 0124982.0, to the attention of the Examiner:

U.S. Patent No. 6,056,401 to SHIRAYANAGI, issued May 2, 2000, was cited as an X-Category document (i.e., document indicating lack of novelty or inventive step) with respect to claims 1 and 9 of the GB application. The United Kingdom Examiner indicated figures 1-8 and column 5, lines 26-67 to be relevant. Applicant notes that this document was previously submitted with the above-mentioned Information Disclosure Statement filed on

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January 2, 2002, and thus, a copy of the same is not attached hereto; and

U.S. Patent No. 4,573,777 to BRISTOL, issued March 4, 1986, was cited as an A-Category document (i.e., document indicating technological background and/or state of the art). The United Kingdom Examiner indicated figure 3 and column 2, line 27 through column 3, line 7 to be relevant.

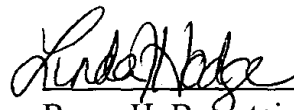
Copies of the above noted documents, except for U.S. Patent No. 4,573,777 (which was previously submitted), are enclosed herewith for the convenience of the Examiner and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98. However, each of the above-mentioned documents is listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. A copy of the United Kingdom Search Report is also attached hereto.

Further, Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the instant application, and thus, no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement. However, if an Office Action has issued and is crossing in the mail with this statement, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0089 any fee necessary to ensure consideration of this statement.

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Should there be any questions, the examiner is invited contact the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

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